Introduced by Senator Battin

February 12, 2008

An act-relating to taxation. to amend Sections 17039, 17276, 17276.1, 23036, 24416, and 24416.1 of, and to add and repeal Sections 17052.16, 17053.16, 17210, 17268.1, 17276.8, 23612.3, 23612.5, 24342, 24356.9, and 24416.8 of, the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1194, as amended, Battin. Taxation. Income and corporation tax benefits: Clean Technology Commerce Zone.

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law authorize various tax benefits in computing the taxes imposed by those laws, including, with respect to specified economic incentive areas designated in this state, a credit for purchasing qualified property, as defined, a credit for hiring qualified employees, as defined, a deduction for property as an expense not chargeable to capital account, and preferential treatment of net operating losses, as provided.

This bill would for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, provide similar tax benefits with respect to the Clean Technology Commerce Zone, which would be that area in the Coachella Valley. This bill would also for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, allow a deduction for the net interest earned on loans that are used in the zone, as provided.

This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.

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Existing law imposes various taxes on income and property and provides various credits against those taxes.

This bill would declare the Legislature's intent to enact legislation that would provide tax credits, in a manner similar to those provided with respect to enterprise zones, to businesses newly located in the Coachella Valley that develop clean energy technology.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 17039 of the Revenue and Taxation Code 2 is amended to read:

17039. (a) Notwithstanding any provision in this part to the contrary, for the purposes of computing tax credits, the term "net tax" means the tax imposed under either Section 17041 or 17048 plus the tax imposed under Section 17504 (relating to lump-sum distributions) less the credits allowed by Section 17054 (relating to personal exemption credits) and any amount imposed under paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) and paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Section 17560. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the "net tax" shall not be less than the tax imposed under Section 17504 (relating to the separate tax on lump-sum distributions), if any. Credits shall be allowed against "net tax" in the following order:

- (1) Credits that do not contain carryover or refundable provisions, except those described in paragraphs (4) and (5).
- (2) Credits that contain carryover provisions but do not contain refundable provisions, except for those that are allowed to reduce "net tax" below the tentative minimum tax, as defined by Section 17062.
- (3) Credits that contain both carryover and refundable provisions.
- (4) The minimum tax credit allowed by Section 17063 (relating to the alternative minimum tax).
- (5) Credits that are allowed to reduce "net tax" below the tentative minimum tax, as defined by Section 17062.
- 27 (6) Credits for taxes paid to other states allowed by Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 18001).

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(7) Credits that contain refundable provisions but do not contain carryover provisions.

The order within each paragraph shall be determined by the Franchise Tax Board.

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 17061 (relating to refunds pursuant to the Unemployment Insurance Code) and 19002 (relating to tax withholding), the credits provided in those sections shall be allowed in the order provided in paragraph (6) of subdivision (a).
- (c) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, no tax credit shall reduce the tax imposed under Section 17041 or 17048 plus the tax imposed under Section 17504 (relating to the separate tax on lump-sum distributions) below the tentative minimum tax, as defined by Section 17062, except the following credits:
- (A) The credit allowed by Section 17052.2 (relating to teacher retention tax credit).
- (B) The credit allowed by former Section 17052.4 (relating to solar energy).
- (C) The credit allowed by former Section 17052.5 (relating to solar energy, repealed on January 1, 1987).
- (D) The credit allowed by former Section 17052.5 (relating to solar energy, repealed on December 1, 1994).
- (E) The credit allowed by Section 17052.12 (relating to research expenses).
- (F) The credit allowed by former Section 17052.13 (relating to sales and use tax credit).
- (G) The credit allowed by former Section 17052.15 (relating to Los Angeles Revitalization Zone sales tax credit).
- (H) The credit allowed by Section 17052.16 (relating to CTCZ sales and use tax credit).
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- (I) The credit allowed by Section 17052.25 (relating to the adoption costs credit).
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- 35 (*J*) The credit allowed by Section 17053.5 (relating to the renter's credit).
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- 38 (*K*) The credit allowed by former Section 17053.8 (relating to enterprise zone hiring credit).
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- 1 (*L*) The credit allowed by former Section 17053.10 (relating to 2 Los Angeles Revitalization Zone hiring credit).
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- 4 (*M*) The credit allowed by former Section 17053.11 (relating 5 to program area hiring credit).
- 6 (N) The credit allowed by Section 17053.16 (relating to CTCZ hiring credit).
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- 9 (O) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, 10 the credit allowed by former Section 17053.17 (relating to Los 11 Angeles Revitalization Zone hiring credit).
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- 13 (P) The credit allowed by Section 17053.33 (relating to targeted tax area sales or use tax credit).
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- 16 (Q) The credit allowed by Section 17053.34 (relating to targeted tax area hiring credit).
- 18 (P
- 19 (*R*) The credit allowed by Section 17053.49 (relating to qualified 20 property).
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- (S) The credit allowed by Section 17053.70 (relating to enterprise zone sales or use tax credit).
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- 25 (*T*) The credit allowed by Section 17053.74 (relating to 26 enterprise zone hiring credit).
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- (U) The credit allowed by Section 17054 (relating to credits for personal exemption).
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- 31 (V) The credit allowed by Section 17054.5 (relating to the credits 32 for a qualified joint custody head of household and a qualified 33 taxpayer with a dependent parent).
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- 35 (*W*) The credit allowed by Section 17054.7 (relating to the credit for a senior head of household).
- 37 (V)
- 38 (X) The credit allowed by former Section 17057 (relating to 39 clinical testing expenses).
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1 (Y) The credit allowed by Section 17058 (relating to low-income housing).

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(Z) The credit allowed by Section 17061 (relating to refunds pursuant to the Unemployment Insurance Code).

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(AA) Credits for taxes paid to other states allowed by Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 18001).

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- (AB) The credit allowed by Section 19002 (relating to tax withholding).
- (2) Any credit that is partially or totally denied under paragraph (1) shall be allowed to be carried over and applied to the net tax in succeeding taxable years, if the provisions relating to that credit include a provision to allow a carryover when that credit exceeds the net tax.
- (d) Unless otherwise provided, any remaining carryover of a credit allowed by a section that has been repealed or made inoperative shall continue to be allowed to be carried over under the provisions of that section as it read immediately prior to being repealed or becoming inoperative.
- (e) (1) Unless otherwise provided, if two or more taxpayers (other than husband and wife) share in costs that would be eligible for a tax credit allowed under this part, each taxpayer shall be eligible to receive the tax credit in proportion to his or her respective share of the costs paid or incurred.
- (2) In the case of a partnership, the credit shall be allocated among the partners pursuant to a written partnership agreement in accordance with Section 704 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to partner's distributive share.
- (3) In the case of a husband and wife who file separate returns, the credit may be taken by either or equally divided between them.
- (f) Unless otherwise provided, in the case of a partnership, any credit allowed by this part shall be computed at the partnership level, and any limitation on the expenses qualifying for the credit or limitation upon the amount of the credit shall be applied to the partnership and to each partner.
- (g) (1) With respect to any taxpayer that directly or indirectly owns an interest in a business entity that is disregarded for tax purposes pursuant to Section 23038 and any regulations thereunder,

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the amount of any credit or credit carryforward allowable for any taxable year attributable to the disregarded business entity shall be limited in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

- (2) The amount of any credit otherwise allowed under this part, including any credit carryover from prior years, that may be applied to reduce the taxpayer's "net tax," as defined in subdivision (a), for the taxable year shall be limited to an amount equal to the excess of the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 17062), determined by including income attributable to the disregarded business entity that generated the credit or credit carryover, over the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 17062), determined by excluding the income attributable to that disregarded business entity. No credit shall be allowed if the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 17062), determined by including the income attributable to the disregarded business entity, is less than the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 17062), determined by excluding the income attributable to the disregarded business entity.
- (3) If the amount of a credit allowed pursuant to the section establishing the credit exceeds the amount allowable under this subdivision in any taxable year, the excess amount may be carried over to subsequent taxable years pursuant to subdivisions (c) and (d).
- (h) (1) Unless otherwise specifically provided, in the case of a taxpayer that is a partner or shareholder of an eligible pass-through entity described in paragraph (2), any credit passed through to the taxpayer in the taxpayer's first taxable year beginning on or after the date the credit is no longer operative may be claimed by the taxpayer in that taxable year, notwithstanding the repeal of the statute authorizing the credit prior to the close of that taxable year.
- (2) For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible pass-through entity" means any partnership or—S "S" corporation that files its return on a fiscal year basis pursuant to Section 18566, and that is entitled to a credit pursuant to this part for the taxable year that begins during the last year the credit is operative.
- (3) This subdivision shall apply to credits that become inoperative on or after the operative date of the act adding this subdivision.
- 39 SEC. 2. Section 17052.16 is added to the Revenue and Taxation 40 Code, to read:

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17052.16. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, there shall be allowed a credit against the "net tax," as defined by Section 17039, an amount, not to exceed the limitation in subdivision (f), that is equal to the sales or use tax paid or incurred by the qualified taxpayer in connection with the purchase of qualified property.

(b) For purposes of this section:

- (1) "Qualified property" means any property that is used exclusively in the CTCZ.
- (2) "Qualified taxpayer" means a person or entity engaged in a trade or business that primarily develops, manufactures, produces, distributes, installs, delivers, or in any other manner advances this state's goals of renewable energy usage.
- (3) "CTCZ" means the Clean Technology Commerce Zone which shall be that area within the Coachella Valley.
- (c) (1) In the case where a credit is allowed for qualified property under more than one section in this part, the qualified taxpayer shall make an election, on the return filed for each year, as to which section applies to that qualified taxpayer.
- (2) Any election made under this section, and any specification contained in that election, may not be revoked except with the consent of the Franchise Tax Board.
- (d) In the case where the credit allowed under this section exceeds the limitation imposed by subdivision (f) for the taxable year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the limitation imposed by subdivision (f) may be carried over and added to this credit in succeeding taxable years until the credit is exhausted. The credit shall be applied first to the earliest taxable years possible.
- (e) Any qualified taxpayer who elects to be subject to this section shall not be entitled to increase the basis of the property as otherwise required by Section 164(a) of the Internal Revenue Code with respect to the sales and use tax paid or incurred in connection with the purchase of qualified property.
- (f) The amount of the credit provided by this section, including any credit carryover from prior years, in any taxable year shall not exceed the amount of tax that would be imposed on the income attributable to business activities of the qualified taxpayer within the CTCZ as if that attributable income represented all of the income of the qualified taxpayer subject to tax under this part. In the event that a credit carryover is allowable under subdivision

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(d) for any taxable year after this section is repealed, the CTCZ
 shall be deemed to remain in existence for purposes of computing
 this limitation. The amount of that attributable income shall be
 determined in accordance with Article 2 (commencing with Section
 25120) of Chapter 17 of Part 11, modified as follows:

- (1) Income shall be apportioned to the CTCZ by multiplying total income from the business by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the denominator of which is two.
 - (2) CTCZ shall be substituted for "this state."
- (g) If the qualified property is disposed of or no longer used by the qualified taxpayer in the CTCZ at any time before the close of the second taxable year after the property is placed in service, the amount of the credit previously claimed shall be added to the qualified taxpayer's tax liability in the taxable year of that disposition or nonuse.
- (h) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
- SEC. 3. Section 17053.16 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:
- 17053.16. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, there shall be allowed as credit against the "net tax," as defined in Section 17039, to a qualified taxpayer for hiring a qualified employee during the taxable year. The credit shall be equal to the sum of each of the following:
- 27 (1) Fifty percent for qualified wages in the first year of 28 employment.
 - (2) Forty percent for qualified wages in the second year of employment.
 - (3) Thirty percent for qualified wages in the third year of employment.
- 33 (4) Twenty percent for qualified wages in the fourth year of employment.
- 35 (5) Ten percent for qualified wages in the fifth year of employment.
 - (b) For purposes of this section:
- 38 (1) "Qualified wages" means the wages paid or incurred by 39 the employer during the taxable year to qualified employees.

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"Qualified wages" means that portion of hourly wages which does not exceed 150 percent of the minimum wage.

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- (2) "Qualified years one through five wages" means, with respect to any individual, qualified wages received during the 60-month period beginning with the day the individual commences employment within the CTCZ.
- (3) "Minimum wage" means the wage established by the Industrial Welfare Commission as provided for in Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1171) of Part 4 of Division 2 of the Labor Code.
- (4) "Qualified taxpayer" means a person or entity engaged in a trade or business that primarily develops, manufactures, produces, distributes, installs, delivers, or in any other manner advances this state's goals of renewable energy usage.
 - (5) "Qualified employee" means an individual:
- (A) At least 90 percent of whose services for the qualified taxpayer during the taxable year are directly related to the conduct of the qualified taxpayer's trade or business located in the CTCZ.
- (B) Who performs at least 50 percent of his or her services for the qualified taxpayer during the taxable year in the CTCZ.
- (6) "CTCZ" means the Clean Energy Commerce Zone which shall be that area within the Coachella Valley.
- (7) (A) All employees of trades or businesses that are not incorporated and that are under common control shall be treated as employed by a single employer.
- (B) The credit, if any, allowable by this section with respect to each trade or business shall be determined by reference to its proportionate share of the qualified wages giving rise to the credit.

The regulations prescribed under this paragraph shall be based on principles similar to the principles that apply in the case of controlled groups of corporations as specified in paragraph (8) of subdivision (b) of Section 23622.5.

(8) If an employer acquires the major portion of a trade or business of another employer (hereinafter in this paragraph referred to as the "predecessor") or the major portion of a separate unit of a trade or business of a predecessor, then, for purposes of applying this section, except subdivision (c), for any calendar year ending after that acquisition, the employment relationship between an employee and an employer shall not be

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treated as terminated if the employee continues to be employed in
that trade or business.

- (9) Nothing in this section constitutes an expansion of the scope of practice of a licensee as designated under a current law.
- (c) (1) If the employment of any employee, with respect to whom qualified wages are taken into account under subdivision (a) is terminated by the qualified taxpayer at any time during the first 270 days of that employment, whether or not consecutive, or before the close of the 270th calendar day after the day in which that employee completes 90 days of employment with the qualified taxpayer, the tax imposed by this part for the taxable year in which that employment is terminated shall be increased by an amount determined under those regulations equal to the credit allowed under subdivision (a) for that taxable year and all prior taxable years attributable to qualified wages paid or incurred with respect to that employee.
 - (2) (A) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to any of the following:
- (i) A termination of employment of an employee who voluntarily leaves the employment of the qualified taxpayer.
- (ii) A termination of employment of an individual who, before the close of the period referred to in paragraph (1), becomes disabled to perform the services of that employment, unless that disability is removed before the close of that period and the qualified taxpayer fails to offer reemployment to that individual.
- (iii) A termination of employment of an individual, if it is determined under the applicable employment compensation provisions that the termination was due to the misconduct of that individual.
- (iv) A termination of employment of an individual due to a substantial reduction in the trade or business operations of the qualified taxpayer.
- (v) A termination of employment of an individual, if that individual is replaced by other qualified employees so as to create a net increase in both the number of employees and the hours of employment.
- (B) For purposes of paragraph (1), the employment relationship between the qualified taxpayer and an employee shall not be treated as terminated by reason of a mere change in the form of conducting the trade or business of the qualified taxpayer, if the employee continues to be employed in that trade or business and

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the qualified taxpayer retains a substantial interest in that trade or business.

- (3) Any increase in tax under paragraph (1) shall not be treated as tax imposed by this part for purposes of determining the amount of any credit allowable under this part.
 - (d) In the case of an estate or trust:

- (1) The qualified wages for any taxable year shall be apportioned between the estate or trust and the beneficiaries on the basis of the income of the estate or trust allocable to each.
- (2) Any beneficiary to whom any qualified wages have been apportioned under paragraph (1) shall be treated, for purposes of this part, as the employer with respect to those wages.
- (e) The credit shall be reduced by the hiring credit allowed under Sections 17053.7 and 17053.46. The credit shall also be reduced by the federal credit allowed under Section 51 of the Internal Revenue Code.

In addition, any deduction otherwise allowed under this part for the wages or salaries paid or incurred by the qualified taxpayer upon which the credit is based shall be reduced by the amount of the credit.

- (f) In the case where the credit allowed under this section exceeds the limitation imposed by subdivision (g) for the taxable year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the limitation imposed by subdivision (g) may be carried over and added to this credit in succeeding taxable years until the credit is exhausted. The credit shall be applied first to the earliest taxable years possible.
- (g) The amount of the credit provided by this section, including any credit carryover from prior years, in any taxable year shall not exceed the amount of tax that would be imposed on the income attributable to business activities of the qualified taxpayer within the CTCZ as if that attributable income represented all of the income of the qualified taxpayer subject to tax under this part. In the event that a credit carryover is allowable under subdivision (f) for any taxable year after this section is repealed, the CTCZ shall be deemed to remain in existence for purposes of computing this limitation. The amount of that attributable income shall be determined in accordance with Article 2 (commencing with Section 25120) of Chapter 17 of Part 11, modified as follows:
- (1) Income shall be apportioned to the CTCZ by multiplying total income from the business by a fraction, the numerator of

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1 which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the 2 denominator of which is two.

- (2) CTCZ shall be substituted for "this state."
- 4 (h) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 2014, and as of that date, is repealed.
 - SEC. 3.5. Section 17210 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:
 - 17210. (a) For any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, any lender that loans money to a qualified taxpayer, as defined by Section 17052.16, for use by that qualified taxpayer in the Clean Technology Commerce Zone for purposes of advancing clean technology, shall be allowed a deduction in an amount equal to the net interest earned on that loan during the taxable year.
 - (b) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
 - SEC. 4. Section 17268.1 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:
 - 17268.1. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, a taxpayer may elect to treat 40 percent of the cost of any Section 17268.1 property as an expense that is not chargeable to the capital account. Any cost so treated shall be allowed as a deduction for the taxable year in which the taxpayer places the Section 17268.1 property in service.
 - (b) In the case of a husband or wife filing separate returns for a taxable year in which a spouse is entitled to the deduction under subdivision (a), the applicable amount shall be equal to 50 percent of the amount otherwise determined under subdivision (a).
 - (c) (1) An election under this section for any taxable year shall meet both of the following requirements:
 - (A) Specify the items of Section 17268.1 property to which the election applies and the portion of the cost of each of those items that is to be taken into account under subdivision (a).
 - (B) Be made on the taxpayer's return of the tax imposed by this part for the taxable year.
 - (2) Any election made under this section, and any specification contained in that election, may not be revoked except with the consent of the Franchise Tax Board.
 - (d) (1) For purposes of this section, "Section 17268.1 property" means any recovery property that is each of the following:

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(A) Section 1245 property (as defined in Section 1245(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code).

- (B) Purchased by the taxpayer for exclusive use in a trade or business conducted within the CTCZ.
- (C) Purchased before the date the CTCZ designation expires, is no longer binding, or becomes inoperative.
- (2) For purposes of paragraph (1), "purchase" means any acquisition of property, but only if both of the following apply:
- (A) The property is not acquired from a person whose relationship to the person acquiring it would result in the disallowance of losses under Section 267 or 707(b) of the Internal Revenue Code (but, in applying Section 267(b) and Section 267(c) of the Internal Revenue Code for purposes of this section, Section 267(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be treated as providing that the family of an individual shall include only his or her spouse, ancestors, and lineal descendants).
- (B) The basis of the property in the hands of the person acquiring it is not determined by either of the following:
- (i) In whole or in part by reference to the adjusted basis of the property in the hands of the person from whom acquired.
- (ii) Under Section 1014 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to basis of property acquired from a decedent.
- (3) For purposes of this section, the cost of property does not include that portion of the basis of the property that is determined by reference to the basis of other property held at any time by the person acquiring the property.
 - (4) This section shall not apply to estates and trusts.
- (5) This section shall not apply to any property for which the taxpayer may not make an election for the taxable year under Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code because of the provisions of Section 179(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (6) In the case of a partnership, the dollar limitation in subdivision (f) shall apply at the partnership level and at the partner level.
- (7) This section shall not apply to any property described in Section 168(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to property to which Section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply.
 - (e) For purposes of this section:
- 39 (1) "CTCZ" means the Clean Technology Commerce Zone 40 which shall be that area within the Coachella Valley.

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(2) "Taxpayer" means a taxpayer that conducts a trade or business within the CTCZ and, for the first two taxable years, has a net increase in jobs (defined as 2,000 paid hours per employee per year) of one or more employees in the CTCZ.

- (A) The net increase in the number of jobs shall be determined by subtracting the total number of full-time employees (defined as 2,000 paid hours per employee per year) the taxpayer employed in this state in the taxable year prior to commencing business operations in the CTCZ from the total number of full-time employees the taxpayer employed in this state during the second taxable year after commencing business operations in the CTCZ. For taxpayers who commence doing business in this state with their CTCZ business operation, the number of employees for the taxable year prior to commencing business operations in the CTCZ shall be zero. If the taxpayer has a net increase in jobs in the state, the credit shall be allowed only if one or more full-time employees is employed within the CTCZ.
- (B) The total number of employees employed in the CTCZ shall equal the sum of both of the following:
- (i) The total number of hours worked in the CTCZ for the taxpayer by employees (not to exceed 2,000 hours per employee) who are paid an hourly wage divided by 2,000.
- (ii) The total number of months worked in the CTCZ for the taxpayer by employees who are salaried employees divided by 12.
- (C) In the case of a taxpayer who first commences doing business in the CTCZ during the taxable year, for purposes of clauses (i) and (ii), respectively, of subparagraph (B) the divisors "2,000" and "12" shall be multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of months of the taxable year that the taxpayer was doing business in the CTCZ and the denominator of which is 12.
- (f) The aggregate cost of all Section 17268.1 property that may be taken into account under subdivision (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed the following applicable amounts:

36		The applicable
37		amount is:
38	2009 taxable year	\$100,000
39	1st taxable year thereafter	100,000
40	2nd taxable year thereafter	75,000

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- (g) This section shall apply only to property that is used exclusively in a trade or business conducted within the CTCZ.
- (h) (1) Any amounts deducted under subdivision (a) with respect to property that ceases to be used in the trade or business within the CTCZ at any time before the close of the second taxable year after the property was placed in service shall be included in income for that year.
- (2) At the close of the second taxable year, if the taxpayer has not increased the number of its employees as determined by paragraph (2) of subdivision (e), then the amount of the deduction previously claimed shall be added to the taxpayer's taxable income for the taxpayer's second taxable year.
- (i) Any taxpayer who elects to be subject to this section shall not be entitled to claim for the same property the deduction under Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to an election to expense certain depreciable business assets.
- (j) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
- SEC. 5. Section 17276 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:
- 17276. Except as provided in Sections 17276.1, 17276.2, 17276.4, 17276.5, 17276.6, and 17276.7 17276.7, and 17276.8, the deduction provided by Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to a net operating loss deduction, shall be modified as follows:
- (a) (1) Net operating losses attributable to taxable years beginning before January 1, 1987, shall not be allowed.
- (2) A net operating loss shall not be carried forward to any taxable year beginning before January 1, 1987.
- (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the provisions of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the amount of carryovers, shall be modified so that the applicable percentage of the entire amount of the net operating loss for any taxable year shall be eligible for carryover to any

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subsequent taxable year. For purposes of this subdivision, the applicable percentage shall be:

- (A) Fifty percent for any taxable year beginning before January 1, 2000.
- (B) Fifty-five percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2002.
- (C) Sixty percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2002, and before January 1, 2004.
- (D) One hundred percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2004.
- (2) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates a new business during that taxable year, each of the following shall apply to each loss incurred during the first three taxable years of operating the new business:
- (A) If the net operating loss is equal to or less than the net loss from the new business, 100 percent of the net operating loss shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).
- (B) If the net operating loss is greater than the net loss from the new business, the net operating loss shall be carried over as follows:
- (i) With respect to an amount equal to the net loss from the new business, 100 percent of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).
- (ii) With respect to the portion of the net operating loss that exceeds the net loss from the new business, the applicable percentage of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).
- (C) For purposes of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) shall be absorbed before the amount described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B).
- (3) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates an eligible small business during that taxable year, each of the following shall apply:
- (A) If the net operating loss is equal to or less than the net loss from the eligible small business, 100 percent of the net operating loss shall be carried forward to the taxable years specified in subdivision (d).

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(B) If the net operating loss is greater than the net loss from the eligible small business, the net operating loss shall be carried over as follows:

- (i) With respect to an amount equal to the net loss from the eligible small business, 100 percent of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).
- (ii) With respect to that portion of the net operating loss that exceeds the net loss from the eligible small business, the applicable percentage of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).
- (C) For purposes of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) shall be absorbed before the amount described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B).
- (4) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates a business that qualifies as both a new business and an eligible small business under this section, that business shall be treated as a new business for the first three taxable years of the new business.
- (5) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates more than one business, and more than one of those businesses qualifies as either a new business or an eligible small business under this section, paragraph (2) shall be applied first, except that if there is any remaining portion of the net operating loss after application of clause (i) of subparagraph (B) of that paragraph, paragraph (3) shall be applied to the remaining portion of the net operating loss as though that remaining portion of the net operating loss constituted the entire net operating loss.
- (6) For purposes of this section, the term "net loss" means the amount of net loss after application of Sections 465 and 469 of the Internal Revenue Code.
 - (c) Net operating loss carrybacks shall not be allowed.
- (d) (1) (A) For a net operating loss for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1987, and before January 1, 2000, Section 172(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to years to which net operating losses may be carried, is modified to substitute "five taxable years" in lieu of "20 taxable years" except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (2) and (3).

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(B) For a net operating loss for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, Section 172(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to years to which net operating losses may be carried, is modified to substitute "10 taxable years" in lieu of "20 taxable years."

- (2) For any taxable year beginning before January 1, 2000, in the case of a "new business," the "five taxable years" in paragraph (1) shall be modified to read as follows:
- (A) "Eight taxable years" for a net operating loss attributable to the first taxable year of that new business.
- (B) "Seven taxable years" for a net operating loss attributable to the second taxable year of that new business.
- (C) "Six taxable years" for a net operating loss attributable to the third taxable year of that new business.
- (3) For any carryover of a net operating loss for which a deduction is denied by Section 17276.3, the carryover period specified in this subdivision shall be extended as follows:
- (A) By one year for a net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning in 1991.
- (B) By two years for a net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning prior to January 1, 1991.
- (4) The net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1987, and before January 1, 1994, shall be a net operating loss carryover to each of the 10 taxable years following the year of the loss if it is incurred by a taxpayer that is under the jurisdiction of the court in a Title 11 or similar case at any time during the income year. The loss carryover provided in the preceding sentence shall not apply to any loss incurred after the date the taxpayer is no longer under the jurisdiction of the court in a Title 11 or similar case.
 - (e) For purposes of this section:
- (1) "Eligible small business" means any trade or business that has gross receipts, less returns and allowances, of less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) during the taxable year.
- (2) Except as provided in subdivision (f), "new business" means any trade or business activity that is first commenced in this state on or after January 1, 1994.
- 38 (3) "Title 11 or similar case" shall have the same meaning as in Section 368(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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(4) In the case of any trade or business activity conducted by a partnership or "S corporation," "S" corporation paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be applied to the partnership or "S corporation." "S" corporation.

- (f) For purposes of this section, in determining whether a trade or business activity qualifies as a new business under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e), the following rules shall apply:
- (1) In any case where a taxpayer purchases or otherwise acquires all or any portion of the assets of an existing trade or business (irrespective of the form of entity) that is doing business in this state (within the meaning of Section 23101), the trade or business thereafter conducted by the taxpayer (or any related person) shall not be treated as a new business if the aggregate fair market value of the acquired assets (including real, personal, tangible, and intangible property) used by the taxpayer (or any related person) in the conduct of its trade or business exceeds 20 percent of the aggregate fair market value of the total assets of the trade or business being conducted by the taxpayer (or any related person). For purposes of this paragraph only, the following rules shall apply:
- (A) The determination of the relative fair market values of the acquired assets and the total assets shall be made as of the last day of the first taxable year in which the taxpayer (or any related person) first uses any of the acquired trade or business assets in its business activity.
- (B) Any acquired assets that constituted property described in Section 1221(1) of the Internal Revenue Code in the hands of the transferor shall not be treated as assets acquired from an existing trade or business, unless those assets also constitute property described in Section 1221(1) of the Internal Revenue Code in the hands of the acquiring taxpayer (or related person).
- (2) In any case where a taxpayer (or any related person) is engaged in one or more trade or business activities in this state, or has been engaged in one or more trade or business activities in this state within the preceding 36 months ("prior trade or business activity"), and thereafter commences an additional trade or business activity in this state, the additional trade or business activity in this state, the additional trade or business activity is classified under a different division of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, than are

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any of the taxpayer's (or any related person's) current or prior trade or business activities.

- (3) In any case where a taxpayer, including all related persons, is engaged in trade or business activities wholly outside of this state and the taxpayer first commences doing business in this state (within the meaning of Section 23101) after December 31, 1993 (other than by purchase or other acquisition described in paragraph (1)), the trade or business activity shall be treated as a new business under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).
- (4) In any case where the legal form under which a trade or business activity is being conducted is changed, the change in form shall be disregarded and the determination of whether the trade or business activity is a new business shall be made by treating the taxpayer as having purchased or otherwise acquired all or any portion of the assets of an existing trade or business under the rules of paragraph (1) of this subdivision.
- (5) "Related person" shall mean any person that is related to the taxpayer under either Section 267 or 318 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (6) "Acquire" shall include any gift, inheritance, transfer incident to divorce, or any other transfer, whether or not for consideration.
- (7) (A) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, the term "new business" shall include any taxpayer that is engaged in biopharmaceutical activities or other biotechnology activities that are described in Codes 2833 to 2836, inclusive, of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, and as further amended, and that has not received regulatory approval for any product from the United States Food and Drug Administration.
 - (B) For purposes of this paragraph:
- (i) "Biopharmaceutical activities" means those activities that use organisms or materials derived from organisms, and their cellular, subcellular, or molecular components, in order to provide pharmaceutical products for human or animal therapeutics and diagnostics. Biopharmaceutical activities make use of living organisms to make commercial products, as opposed to pharmaceutical activities that make use of chemical compounds to produce commercial products.
- (ii) "Other biotechnology activities" means activities consisting of the application of recombinant DNA technology to produce

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commercial products, as well as activities regarding pharmaceutical delivery systems designed to provide a measure of control over the rate, duration, and site of pharmaceutical delivery.

- (g) In computing the modifications under Section 172(d)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to capital gains and losses of taxpayers other than corporations, the exclusion provided by Section 18152.5 shall not be allowed.
- (h) Notwithstanding any provisions of this section to the contrary, a deduction shall be allowed to a "qualified taxpayer" as provided in Sections 17276.1, 17276.2, 17276.4, 17276.5, 17276.6, and 17276.7 17276.7, and 17276.8.
- (i) The Franchise Tax Board may prescribe appropriate regulations to carry out the purposes of this section, including any regulations necessary to prevent the avoidance of the purposes of this section through splitups, shell corporations, partnerships, tiered ownership structures, or otherwise.
- (j) The Franchise Tax Board may reclassify any net operating loss carryover determined under either paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (b) as a net operating loss carryover under paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) upon a showing that the reclassification is necessary to prevent evasion of the purposes of this section.
- (k) Except as otherwise provided, the amendments made by Chapter 107 of the Statutes of 2000 shall apply to net operating losses for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000.
- SEC. 6. Section 17276.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:
- 17276.1. (a) A qualified taxpayer, as defined in Section 17276.2, 17276.4, 17276.5, 17276.6, or 17276.7 17276.7, or 17276.8, may elect to take the deduction provided by Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the net operating loss deduction, as modified by Section 17276, with the following exceptions:
- (1) Subdivision (a) of Section 17276, relating to years in which allowable losses are sustained, shall not be applicable.
- (2) Subdivision (b) of Section 17276, relating to the 50-percent reduction of losses, shall not be applicable.
- (b) The election to compute the net operating loss under this section shall be made in a statement attached to the original return, timely filed for the year in which the net operating loss is incurred and shall be irrevocable. In addition to the exceptions specified in

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subdivision (a), the provisions of Section 17276.2, 17276.4,
17276.5, 17276.6, or 17276.7, or 17276.8, as appropriate,
shall be applicable.

- (c) Any carryover of a net operating loss sustained by a qualified taxpayer, as defined in subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 17276.2 as that section read immediately prior to January 1, 1997, shall, if previously elected, continue to be a deduction, as provided in subdivision (a), applied as if the provisions of subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 17276.2, as that section read prior to January 1, 1997, still applied.
- SEC. 7. Section 17276.8 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:
- 17276.8. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, the term "qualified taxpayer" as used in Section 17276.1 includes a person or entity engaged in the conduct of a trade or business within the CTCZ. For purposes of this subdivision, all of the following shall apply:
- (1) A net operating loss shall not be a net operating loss carryback to any taxable year and a net operating loss for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, shall be a net operating loss carryover to each of the 15 taxable years following the taxable year of loss.
 - (2) For purposes of this subdivision:
- (A) "Net operating loss" means the loss determined under Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, as modified by Section 17276.1, attributable to the taxpayer's business activities within the enterprise zone (as defined in Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code) prior to the repeal of this section. That attributable loss shall be determined in accordance with Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 25101) of Part 11, modified for purposes of this subdivision, as follows:
- (i) Loss shall be apportioned to the CTCZ by multiplying total loss from the business by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the denominator of which is two.
- 37 (ii) "CTCZ" shall be substituted for "this state."
- 38 (B) A net operating loss carryover shall be a deduction only 39 with respect to the taxpayer's business income attributable to the

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CTCZ as defined in Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

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- (C) Attributable income is that portion of the taxpayer's California source business income that is apportioned to the CTCZ. For that purpose, the taxpayer's business income attributable to sources in this state first shall be determined in accordance with Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 25101) of Part 11. That business income shall be further apportioned to the CTCZ in accordance with Article 2 (commencing with Section 25120) of Chapter 17 of Part 11, modified for purposes of this subdivision as follows:
- (i) Business income shall be apportioned to the CTCZ by multiplying the total California business income of the taxpayer by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the denominator of which is two. For purposes of this clause:
- (I) The property factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used in the CTCZ during the taxable year, and the denominator of which is the average value of all the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used in this state during the taxable year.
- (II) The payroll factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total amount paid by the taxpayer in the enterprise zone during the taxable year for compensation, and the denominator of which is the total compensation paid by the taxpayer in this state during the taxable year.
- (ii) If a loss carryover is allowable pursuant to this section for any taxable year after the this section is repealed, the CTCZ shall be deemed to remain in existence for purposes of computing the limitation set forth in subparagraph (B) and allowing a net operating loss deduction.
- (D) "CTCZ" means the Clean Technology Commerce Zone which shall be that area within the Coachella Valley.
- (b) A taxpayer who qualifies as a "qualified taxpayer" under one or more sections shall, for the taxable year of the net operating loss and any taxable year to which that net operating loss may be carried, designate on the original return filed for each year the section which applies to that taxpayer with respect to that net operating loss. If the taxpayer is eligible to qualify under more

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than one section, the designation is to be made after taking into account subdivision (c). 3

- (c) If a taxpayer is eligible to qualify under this section and either Section 17276.4, 17276.5, or 17276.6 as a "qualified taxpayer," with respect to a net operating loss in a taxable year, the taxpayer shall designate which section is to apply to the taxpayer.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 17276, the amount of the loss determined under this section or Section 17276.4, 17276.5, or 17276.6 shall be the only net operating loss allowed to be carried over from that taxable year and the designation under subdivision (b) shall be included in the election under Section 17276.1.
- (e) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 13 14 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
- 15 SEC. 8. Section 23036 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is 16 amended to read:
 - 23036. (a) (1) The term "tax" includes any of the following:
- 18 (A) The tax imposed under Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 19 23101).
- 20 (B) The tax imposed under Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 21 23501).
 - (C) The tax on unrelated business taxable income, imposed under Section 23731.
 - (D) The tax on—S "S" corporations imposed under Section 23802.
 - (2) The term "tax" does not include any amount imposed under paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Section 24667 or paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) of Section 24667.
- 29 (b) For purposes of Article 5 (commencing with Section 18661) 30 of Chapter 2, Article 3 (commencing with Section 19031) of 31 Chapter 4, Article 6 (commencing with Section 19101) of Chapter 32 4, and Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 19501) of Part 10.2,
- and for purposes of Sections 18601, 19001, and 19005, the term 33 34 "tax" also includes all of the following:
- (1) The tax on limited partnerships, imposed under Section 35 17935, the tax on limited liability companies, imposed under 36
- 37 Section 17941, and the tax on registered limited liability
- 38 partnerships and foreign limited liability partnerships imposed
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(2) The alternative minimum tax imposed under Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 23400).

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- (3) The tax on built-in gains of S "S" corporations, imposed under Section 23809.
- (4) The tax on excess passive investment income of S "S" corporations, imposed under Section 23811.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, credits are allowed against the "tax" in the following order:
 - (1) Credits that do not contain carryover provisions.
- (2) Credits that, when the credit exceeds the "tax," allow the excess to be carried over to offset the "tax" in succeeding taxable years, except for those credits that are allowed to reduce the "tax" below the tentative minimum tax, as defined by Section 23455. The order of credits within this paragraph shall be determined by
 - (3) The minimum tax credit allowed by Section 23453.
- (4) Credits that are allowed to reduce the "tax" below the tentative minimum tax, as defined by Section 23455.
 - (5) Credits for taxes withheld under Section 18662.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, each of the following applies:
- (1) No credit may reduce the "tax" below the tentative minimum tax (as defined by paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 23455), except the following credits:
- (A) The credit allowed by former Section 23601 (relating to solar energy).
- (B) The credit allowed by former Section 23601.4 (relating to solar energy).
- (C) The credit allowed by former Section 23601.5 (relating to solar energy).
- (D) The credit allowed by Section 23609 (relating to research expenditures).
- (E) The credit allowed by former Section 23609.5 (relating to clinical testing expenses).
- (F) The credit allowed by Section 23610.5 (relating to low-income housing).
- (G) The credit allowed by former Section 23612 (relating to sales and use tax credit).
- 39 (H) The credit allowed by Section 23612.2 (relating to enterprise 200 zone sales or use tax credit).

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- 1 (I) The credit allowed by Section 23612.3 (relating to CTCZ sales and use tax credit).
- 3 (J) The credit allowed by Section 23612.5 (relating to the CTCZ hiring credit).
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- 6 (*K*) The credit allowed by former Section 23612.6 (relating to Tos Angeles Revitalization Zone sales tax credit).
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- 9 (L) The credit allowed by former Section 23622 (relating to enterprise zone hiring credit).
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- 15 (N) The credit allowed by former Section 23623 (relating to program area hiring credit).
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- 18 (O) The credit allowed by former Section 23623.5 (relating to 19 Los Angeles Revitalization Zone hiring credit).
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- (Q) The credit allowed by Section 23633 (relating to targeted tax area sales or use tax credit).
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 - (R) The credit allowed by Section 23634 (relating to targeted tax area hiring credit).
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 - (S) The credit allowed by Section 23649 (relating to qualified property).
 - (2) No credit against the tax may reduce the minimum franchise tax imposed under Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 23101).
 - (e) Any credit which is partially or totally denied under subdivision (d) is allowed to be carried over to reduce the "tax" in the following year, and succeeding years if necessary, if the provisions relating to that credit include a provision to allow a carryover of the unused portion of that credit.
- 39 (f) Unless otherwise provided, any remaining carryover from a 40 credit that has been repealed or made inoperative is allowed to be

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carried over under the provisions of that section as it read immediately prior to being repealed or becoming inoperative.

- (g) Unless otherwise provided, if two or more taxpayers share in costs that would be eligible for a tax credit allowed under this part, each taxpayer is eligible to receive the tax credit in proportion to his or her respective share of the costs paid or incurred.
- (h) Unless otherwise provided, in the case of an—S "S" corporation, any credit allowed by this part is computed at the—S "S" corporation level, and any limitation on the expenses qualifying for the credit or limitation upon the amount of the credit applies to the—S "S" corporation and to each shareholder.
- (i) (1) With respect to any taxpayer that directly or indirectly owns an interest in a business entity that is disregarded for tax purposes pursuant to Section 23038 and any regulations thereunder, the amount of any credit or credit carryforward allowable for any taxable year attributable to the disregarded business entity is limited in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).
- (2) The amount of any credit otherwise allowed under this part, including any credit carryover from prior years, that may be applied to reduce the taxpayer's "tax," as defined in subdivision (a), for the taxable year is limited to an amount equal to the excess of the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 23455), determined by including income attributable to the disregarded business entity that generated the credit or credit carryover, over the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 23455), determined by excluding the income attributable to that disregarded business entity. No credit is allowed if the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 23455), determined by including the income attributable to the disregarded business entity is less than the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 23455), determined by excluding the income attributable to the disregarded business entity.
- (3) If the amount of a credit allowed pursuant to the section establishing the credit exceeds the amount allowable under this subdivision in any taxable year, the excess amount may be carried over to subsequent taxable years pursuant to subdivisions (d), (e), and (f).
- (j) (1) Unless otherwise specifically provided, in the case of a taxpayer that is a partner or shareholder of an eligible pass-through entity described in paragraph (2), any credit passed through to the taxpayer in the taxpayer's first taxable year beginning on or after

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 the date the credit is no longer operative may be claimed by the taxpayer in that taxable year, notwithstanding the repeal of the statute authorizing the credit prior to the close of that taxable year.

- (2) For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible pass-through entity" means any partnership or—S "S" corporation that files its return on a fiscal year basis pursuant to Section 18566, and that is entitled to a credit pursuant to this part for the taxable year that begins during the last year a credit is operative.
- (3) This subdivision applies to credits that become inoperative on or after the operative date of the act adding this subdivision.
- SEC. 9. Section 23612.3 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code. to read:
- 23612.3. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, there shall be allowed a credit against the "tax," as defined by Section 23036, an amount, not to exceed the limitation in subdivision (f), that is equal to the sales or use tax paid or incurred by the qualified taxpayer in connection with the purchase of qualified property.
 - (b) For purposes of this section:
- (1) (A) "Qualified property" means any property that is used exclusively in the CTCZ.
- (2) "Qualified taxpayer" means a person or entity engaged in a trade or business that primarily develops, manufactures, produces, distributes, installs, delivers, or in any other manner advances this state's goals of renewable energy usage.
- (3) "CTCZ" means the Clean Technology Commerce Zone which shall be that area within the Coachella Valley.
- (c) (1) In the case where a credit is allowed for qualified property under more than one section in this part, the qualified taxpayer shall make an election, on the return filed for each year, as to which section applies to that qualified taxpayer.
- (2) Any election made under this section and any specification contained in that election, may not be revoked except with the consent of the Franchise Tax Board.
- (d) In the case where the credit allowed under this section exceeds the limitation imposed by subdivision (f) for the taxable year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the limitation imposed by subdivision (f) may be carried over and added to this credit in succeeding taxable years until the credit is exhausted. The credit shall be applied first to the earliest taxable years possible.

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(e) Any qualified taxpayer who elects to be subject to this section shall not be entitled to increase the basis of the property as otherwise required by Section 164(a) of the Internal Revenue Code with respect of the sales and use tax paid or incurred in connection with the purchase of qualified property.

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- (f) The amount of the credit provided by this section, including any credit carryover from prior years, in any taxable year shall not exceed the amount of tax that would be imposed on the income attributable to business activities of the qualified taxpayer within the CTCZ as if that attributable income represented all of the income of the qualified taxpayer subject to tax under this part. In the event that a credit carryover is allowable under subdivision (d) for any taxable year after this section is repealed, the CTCZ shall be deemed to remain in existence for purposes of computing this limitation. The amount of that attributable income shall be determined in accordance with Article 2 (commencing with Section 25120) of Chapter 17 of Part 11, modified as follows:
- (1) Attributable income shall be that portion of the qualified taxpayer's California source business income that is apportioned to the CTCZ.
- (2) Income shall be apportioned to the CTCZ by multiplying total income from the business by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the denominator of which is two.
 - (3) CTCZ shall be substituted for "this state."
- (g) If the qualified property is of the type that its cost must be chargeable to a capital account and it is disposed of or no longer used by the qualified taxpayer in the CTCZ at any time before the close of the second taxable year after the property is placed in service, the amount of the credit previously claimed shall be added to the qualified taxpayer's tax liability in the taxable year of that disposition or nonuse.
- (h) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 34 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
- 35 SEC. 10. Section 23612.5 is added to the Revenue and Taxation 36 Code, to read:
 - 23612.5. (a) For each income year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "tax," as defined by Section 23036, to a qualified taxpayer for hiring a qualified employee during the

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1 income year. The credit shall be equal to the sum of each of the 2 following:

- (1) Fifty percent for qualified wages in the first year of employment.
- (2) Forty percent for qualified wages in the second year of employment.
- (3) Thirty percent for qualified wages in the third year of employment.
- (4) Twenty percent for qualified wages in the fourth year of employment.
- (5) Ten percent for qualified wages in the fifth year of employment.
 - (b) For purposes of this section:
- (1) "Qualified wages" means the wages paid or incurred by the employer during the taxable year to qualified employees. "Qualified wages" means that portion of hourly wages which does not exceed 150 percent of the minimum wage.
- (2) "Qualified years one through five wages" means, with respect to any individual, qualified wages received during the 60-month period beginning with the day the individual commences employment within the CTCZ.
- (3) "Minimum wage" means the wage established by the Industrial Welfare Commission as provided for in Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1171) of Part 4 of Division 2 of the Labor Code.
- (4) "Qualified taxpayer" means a person or entity engaged in a trade or business that primarily develops, manufactures, produces, distributes, installs, delivers, or in any other manner advances this state's goals of renewable energy usage.
 - (5) "Qualified employee" means an individual:
- (A) At least 90 percent of whose services for the qualified taxpayer during the taxable year are directly related to the conduct of the qualified taxpayer's trade or business located in the CTCZ.
- (B) Who performs at least 50 percent of his or her services for the qualified taxpayer during the taxable year in the CTCZ.
- (6) "CTCZ" means the Clean Energy Commerce Zone which shall be that area within the Coachella Valley.
- (7) (A) All employees of trades or businesses that are not incorporated and that are under common control shall be treated as employed by a single employer.

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(B) The credit, if any, allowable by this section with respect to each trade or business shall be determined by reference to its proportionate share of the qualified wages giving rise to the credit.

The regulations prescribed under this paragraph shall be based on principles similar to the principles that apply in the case of controlled groups of corporations as specified in paragraph (8) of subdivision (b) of Section 23622.5.

- (8) If an employer acquires the major portion of a trade or business of another employer (hereinafter in this paragraph referred to as the "predecessor") or the major portion of a separate unit of a trade or business of a predecessor, then, for purposes of applying this section, except subdivision (c), for any calendar year ending after that acquisition, the employment relationship between an employee and an employer shall not be treated as terminated if the employee continues to be employed in that trade or business.
- (9) Nothing in this section constitutes an expansion of the scope of practice of a licensee as designated under a current law.
- (c) (1) If the employment of any employee, with respect to whom qualified wages are taken into account under subdivision (a) is terminated by the qualified taxpayer at any time during the first 270 days of that employment, whether or not consecutive, or before the close of the 270th calendar day after the day in which that employee completes 90 days of employment with the qualified taxpayer, the tax imposed by this part for the taxable year in which that employment is terminated shall be increased by an amount determined under those regulations equal to the credit allowed under subdivision (a) for that taxable year and all prior taxable years attributable to qualified wages paid or incurred with respect to that employee.
 - (2) (A) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to any of the following:
- (i) A termination of employment of an employee who voluntarily leaves the employment of the qualified taxpayer.
- (ii) A termination of employment of an individual who, before the close of the period referred to in paragraph (1), becomes disabled to perform the services of that employment, unless that disability is removed before the close of that period and the qualified taxpayer fails to offer reemployment to that individual.
- (iii) A termination of employment of an individual, if it is determined under the applicable employment compensation

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1 provisions that the termination was due to the misconduct of that 2 individual.

- (iv) A termination of employment of an individual due to a substantial reduction in the trade or business operations of the qualified taxpayer.
- (v) A termination of employment of an individual, if that individual is replaced by other qualified employees so as to create a net increase in both the number of employees and the hours of employment.
- (B) For purposes of paragraph (1), the employment relationship between the qualified taxpayer and an employee shall not be treated as terminated by reason of a mere change in the form of conducting the trade or business of the qualified taxpayer, if the employee continues to be employed in that trade or business and the qualified taxpayer retains a substantial interest in that trade or business.
- (3) Any increase in tax under paragraph (1) shall not be treated as tax imposed by this part for purposes of determining the amount of any credit allowable under this part.
 - (d) In the case of an estate or trust:
- (1) The qualified wages for any taxable year shall be apportioned between the estate or trust and the beneficiaries on the basis of the California income of the estate or trust allocable to each.
- (2) Any beneficiary to whom any qualified wages have been apportioned under paragraph (1) shall be treated, for purposes of this part, as the employer with respect to those qualified wages.
- (e) The credit shall be reduced by the hiring credit allowed under Sections 23622.7 and 23634. The credit shall also be reduced by the federal credit allowed under Section 51 of the Internal Revenue Code.

In addition, any deduction otherwise allowed under this part for the wages or salaries paid or incurred by the qualified taxpayer upon which the credit is based shall be reduced by the amount of the credit.

(f) In the case where the credit allowed under this section exceeds the limitation imposed by subdivision (g) for the taxable year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the limitation imposed by subdivision (g) may be carried over and added to this credit in succeeding taxable years until the credit is exhausted.

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(g) The amount of the credit provided by this section, including 2 any credit carryover from prior years, in any taxable year shall not exceed the amount of tax that would be imposed on the income 4 attributable to business activities of the qualified taxpayer within the CTCZ as if that attributable income represented all of the 6 income of the qualified taxpayer subject to tax under this part. In the event that a credit carryover is allowable under subdivision 8 (f) for any taxable year after this section is repealed, the CTCZ shall be deemed to remain in existence for purposes of computing this limitation. The amount of that attributable income shall be 10 determined in accordance with Article 2 (commencing with Section 12 25120) of Chapter 17 of Part 11, modified as follows:

- (1) Income shall be apportioned to the CTCZ by multiplying total income from the business by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the denominator of which is two.
 - (2) CTCZ shall be substituted for "this state."

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- (h) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
- 20 SEC. 10.5. Section 24342 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:
 - 24342. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, any lender that loans money to a qualified taxpayer, as defined by Section 23612.3, for use by that qualified taxpayer in the Clean Technology Commerce Zone for purposes of advancing clean technology, shall be allowed a deduction in an amount equal to the net interest earned on that loan during the taxable year.
- 29 (b) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 30 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
- 31 SEC. 11. Section 24356.9 is added to the Revenue and Taxation 32 Code, to read:
 - 24356.9. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, and before January 1, 2014, a taxpayer may elect to treat 40 percent of the cost of any Section 24356.9 property as an expense that is not chargeable to the capital account. Any cost so treated shall be allowed as a deduction for the taxable year in which the taxpayer places the Section 24356.9 property in service.
- 39 (b) (1) An election under this section for any taxable year shall 40 meet both of the following requirements:

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(A) Specify the items of Section 24356.9 property to which the election applies and the portion of the cost of each of those items that is to be taken into account under subdivision (a).

- (B) Be made on the taxpayer's return of the tax imposed by this part for the taxable year.
- (2) Any election made under this section, and any specification contained in that election, may not be revoked except with the consent of the Franchise Tax Board.
- (c) (1) For purposes of this section, "Section 24356.9 property" means any recovery property that is:
- (A) Section 1245 property (as defined in Section 1245(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code).
- (B) Purchased by the taxpayer for exclusive use in a trade or business conducted within the CTCZ.
- (C) Purchased before the date the CTCZ designation expires, is no longer binding, or becomes inoperative.
- (2) For purposes of paragraph (1), "purchase" means any acquisition of property, but only if all of the following apply:
- (A) The property is not acquired from a person whose relationship to the person acquiring it would result in the disallowance of losses under Section 267 or 707(b) of the Internal Revenue Code (but, in applying Sections 267(b) and 267(c) of the Internal Revenue Code for purposes of this section, Section 267(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be treated as providing that the family of an individual shall include only his or her spouse, ancestors, and lineal descendants).
- (B) The property is not acquired by one component member of an affiliated group from another component member of the same affiliated group.
- (C) The basis of the property in the hands of the person acquiring it is not determined in whole or in part by reference to the adjusted basis of that property in the hands of the person from whom acquired.
- (3) For purposes of this section, the cost of property does not include so much of the basis of that property as is determined by reference to the basis of other property held at any time by the person acquiring that property.
- (4) This section shall not apply to any property for which the taxpayer may not make an election for the taxable year under

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Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code because of the provisions of Section 179(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.

- (5) For purposes of subdivision (b), both of the following apply:
- (A) All members of an affiliated group shall be treated as one taxpayer.
- (B) The taxpayer shall apportion the dollar limitation contained in subdivision (f) among the component members of the affiliated group in whatever manner the board shall by regulations prescribe.
- (6) For purposes of paragraphs (2) and (5), "affiliated group" has the meaning assigned to it by Section 1504 of the Internal Revenue Code, except that, for these purposes, the phrase "more than 50 percent" shall be substituted for the phrase "at least 80 percent" each place it appears in Section 1504(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (7) This section shall not apply to any property described in *Section 168(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.*
- (8) In the case of an "S" corporation, the dollar limitation contained in subdivision (f) shall be applied at the entity level and at the shareholder level.
 - (d) For purposes of this section:

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- (1) "CTCZ" means the Clean Technology Commerce Zone which shall be that area within the Coachella Valley.
- (2) "Taxpayer" means a corporation that conducts a trade or business within the CTCZ and, for the first two taxable years, has a net increase in jobs (defined as 2,000 paid hours per employee per year) of one or more employees in the CTCZ.
- (A) The net increase in the number of jobs shall be determined by subtracting the total number of full-time employees (defined as 2,000 paid hours per employee per year) the taxpayer employed in this state in the taxable year prior to commencing business operations in the CTCZ from the total number of full-time employees the taxpayer employed in this state during the second taxable year after commencing business operations in the CTCZ. For taxpayers who commence doing business in this state with their CTCZ business operation, the number of employees for the taxable year prior to commencing business operations in the CTCZ
- 36 37 shall be zero. If the taxpayer has a net increase in jobs in the state,
- 38 the credit shall be allowed only if one or more full-time employees
- 39 is employed within the CTCZ.

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(B) The total number of employees employed in the CTCZ shall equal the sum of both of the following:

- (i) The total number of hours worked in the CTCZ for the taxpayer by employees (not to exceed 2,000 hours per employee) who are paid an hourly wage divided by 2,000.
- (ii) The total number of months worked in the CTCZ for the taxpayer by employees who are salaried employees divided by 12.
- (C) In the case of a taxpayer that first commences doing business in the CTCZ during the taxable year, for purposes of clauses (i) and (ii), respectively, of subparagraph (B), the divisors "2,000" and "12" shall be multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of months of the taxable year that the taxpayer was doing business in the CTCZ and the denominator of which is 12.
- (e) Any taxpayer who elects to be subject to this section shall not be entitled to claim additional depreciation pursuant to Section 24356 with respect to any property that constitutes Section 24356.9 property.
- (f) The aggregate cost of all Section 24356.9 property that may be taken into account under subdivision (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed the following applicable amounts:

	The applicable
	amount is:
2009 taxable year	\$100,000
1st taxable year thereafter	100,000
2nd taxable year thereafter	75,000
3rd taxable year thereafter	75,000
Each taxable year thereafter	50,000

- (g) This section shall apply only to property that is used exclusively in a trade or business conducted within the CTCZ.
- (h) (1) Any amounts deducted under subdivision (a) with respect to property that ceases to be used in the trade or business within the CTCZ at any time before the close of the second taxable year after the property was placed in service shall be included in income for that year.
- (2) At the close of the second taxable year, if the taxpayer has not increased the number of its employees as determined by paragraph (2) of subdivision (d), then the amount of the deduction

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previously claimed shall be added to the taxpayer's net income for the taxpayer's second taxable year.

- (i) Any taxpayer who elects to be subject to this section shall not be entitled to claim for the same property the deduction under Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to an election to expense certain depreciable business assets.
- (j) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
- SEC. 12. Section 24416 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:
- 24416. Except as provided in Sections 24416.1, 24416.2, 24416.4, 24416.5, 24416.6, and 24416.7 24416.7, and 24416.8, a net operating loss deduction shall be allowed in computing net income under Section 24341 and shall be determined in accordance with Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, except as otherwise provided.
- (a) (1) Net operating losses attributable to taxable years beginning before January 1, 1987, shall not be allowed.
- (2) A net operating loss shall not be carried forward to any taxable year beginning before January 1, 1987.
- (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the provisions of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the amount of carryovers, shall be modified so that the applicable percentage of the entire amount of the net operating loss for any taxable year shall be eligible for carryover to any subsequent taxable year. For purposes of this subdivision, the applicable percentage shall be:
- (A) Fifty percent for any taxable year beginning before January 1, 2000.
- (B) Fifty-five percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2002.
- (C) Sixty percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2002, and before January 1, 2004.
- (D) One hundred percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2004.
- (2) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates a new business during that taxable year, each of the following shall apply to each loss incurred during the first three taxable years of operating the new business:

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(A) If the net operating loss is equal to or less than the net loss from the new business, 100 percent of the net operating loss shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (e).

- (B) If the net operating loss is greater than the net loss from the new business, the net operating loss shall be carried over as follows:
- (i) With respect to an amount equal to the net loss from the new business, 100 percent of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (e).
- (ii) With respect to the portion of the net operating loss that exceeds the net loss from the new business, the applicable percentage of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).
- (C) For purposes of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) shall be absorbed before the amount described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B).
- (3) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates an eligible small business during that taxable year, each of the following shall apply:
- (A) If the net operating loss is equal to or less than the net loss from the eligible small business, 100 percent of the net operating loss shall be carried forward to the taxable years specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (e).
- (B) If the net operating loss is greater than the net loss from the eligible small business, the net operating loss shall be carried over as follows:
- (i) With respect to an amount equal to the net loss from the eligible small business, 100 percent of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (e).
- (ii) With respect to that portion of the net operating loss that exceeds the net loss from the eligible small business, the applicable percentage of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (e).
- (C) For purposes of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) shall be absorbed before the amount described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B).

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(4) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates a business that qualifies as both a new business and an eligible small business under this section, that business shall be treated as a new business for the first three taxable years of the new business.

- (5) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates more than one business, and more than one of those businesses qualifies as either a new business or an eligible small business under this section, paragraph (2) shall be applied first, except that if there is any remaining portion of the net operating loss after application of clause (i) of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), paragraph (3) shall be applied to the remaining portion of the net operating loss as though that remaining portion of the net operating loss constituted the entire net operating loss.
- (6) For purposes of this section, "net loss" means the amount of net loss after application of Sections 465 and 469 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (c) For any taxable year in which the taxpayer has in effect a water's-edge election under Section 25110, the deduction of a net operating loss carryover shall be denied to the extent that the net operating loss carryover was determined by taking into account the income and factors of an affiliated corporation in a combined report whose income and apportionment factors would not have been taken into account if a water's-edge election under Section 25110 had been in effect for the taxable year in which the loss was incurred.
 - (d) Net operating loss carrybacks shall not be allowed.
- (e) (1) (A) For a net operating loss for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1987, and before January 1, 2000, Section 172(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to years to which net operating losses may be carried, is modified to substitute "five taxable years" in lieu of "20 years" except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (2), (3), and (4).
- (B) For a net operating loss for any income year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, Section 172(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to years to which net operating losses may be carried, is modified to substitute "10 taxable years" in lieu of "20 taxable years."

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(2) For any income year beginning before January 1, 2000, in the case of a "new business," the "five taxable years" referred to in paragraph (1) shall be modified to read as follows:

- (A) "Eight taxable years" for a net operating loss attributable to the first taxable year of that new business.
- (B) "Seven taxable years" for a net operating loss attributable to the second taxable year of that new business.
- (C) "Six taxable years" for a net operating loss attributable to the third taxable year of that new business.
- (3) For any carryover of a net operating loss for which a deduction is denied by Section 24416.3, the carryover period specified in this subdivision shall be extended as follows:
- (A) By one year for a net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning in 1991.
- (B) By two years for a net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning prior to January 1, 1991.
- (4) The net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1987, and before January 1, 1994, shall be a net operating loss carryover to each of the 10 taxable years following the year of the loss if it is incurred by a corporation that was either of the following:
- (A) Under the jurisdiction of the court in a Title 11 or similar case at any time prior to January 1, 1994. The loss carryover provided in the preceding sentence shall not apply to any loss incurred in an income year after the taxable year during which the corporation is no longer under the jurisdiction of the court in a Title 11 or similar case.
- (B) In receipt of assets acquired in a transaction that qualifies as a tax-free reorganization under Section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Internal Revenue Code.
 - (f) For purposes of this section:
- (1) "Eligible small business" means any trade or business that has gross receipts, less returns and allowances, of less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) during the income year.
- (2) Except as provided in subdivision (g), "new business" means any trade or business activity that is first commenced in this state on or after January 1, 1994.
- (3) "Title 11 or similar case" shall have the same meaning as in Section 368(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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(4) In the case of any trade or business activity conducted by a partnership or an "S corporation," "S" corporation, paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be applied to the partnership or "S corporation." "S" corporation.

- (g) For purposes of this section, in determining whether a trade or business activity qualifies as a new business under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e), the following rules shall apply:
- (1) In any case where a taxpayer purchases or otherwise acquires all or any portion of the assets of an existing trade or business (irrespective of the form of entity) that is doing business in this state (within the meaning of Section 23101), the trade or business thereafter conducted by the taxpayer (or any related person) shall not be treated as a new business if the aggregate fair market value of the acquired assets (including real, personal, tangible, and intangible property) used by the taxpayer (or any related person) in the conduct of its trade or business exceeds 20 percent of the aggregate fair market value of the total assets of the trade or business being conducted by the taxpayer (or any related person). For purposes of this paragraph only, the following rules shall apply:
- (A) The determination of the relative fair market values of the acquired assets and the total assets shall be made as of the last day of the first taxable year in which the taxpayer (or any related person) first uses any of the acquired trade or business assets in its business activity.
- (B) Any acquired assets that constituted property described in Section 1221(1) of the Internal Revenue Code in the hands of the transferor shall not be treated as assets acquired from an existing trade or business, unless those assets also constitute property described in Section 1221(1) of the Internal Revenue Code in the hands of the acquiring taxpayer (or related person).
- (2) In any case where a taxpayer (or any related person) is engaged in one or more trade or business activities in this state, or has been engaged in one or more trade or business activities in this state within the preceding 36 months ("prior trade or business activity"), and thereafter commences an additional trade or business activity in this state, the additional trade or business activity in this state, the additional trade or business activity is classified under a different division of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, than are

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any of the taxpayer's (or any related person's) current or prior trade or business activities.

- (3) In any case where a taxpayer, including all related persons, is engaged in trade or business activities wholly outside of this state and the taxpayer first commences doing business in this state (within the meaning of Section 23101) after December 31, 1993 (other than by purchase or other acquisition described in paragraph (1)), the trade or business activity shall be treated as a new business under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).
- (4) In any case where the legal form under which a trade or business activity is being conducted is changed, the change in form shall be disregarded and the determination of whether the trade or business activity is a new business shall be made by treating the taxpayer as having purchased or otherwise acquired all or any portion of the assets of an existing trade or business under the rules of paragraph (1) of this subdivision.
- (5) "Related person" shall mean any person that is related to the taxpayer under either Section 267 or 318 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (6) "Acquire" shall include any transfer, whether or not for consideration.
- (7) (A) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, the term "new business" shall include any taxpayer that is engaged in biopharmaceutical activities or other biotechnology activities that are described in Codes 2833 to 2836, inclusive, of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, 1987 edition, and as further amended, and that has not received regulatory approval for any product from the United States Food and Drug Administration.
 - (B) For purposes of this paragraph:
- (i) "Biopharmaceutical activities" means those activities that use organisms or materials derived from organisms, and their cellular, subcellular, or molecular components, in order to provide pharmaceutical products for human or animal therapeutics and diagnostics. Biopharmaceutical activities make use of living organisms to make commercial products, as opposed to pharmaceutical activities that make use of chemical compounds to produce commercial products.
- (ii) "Other biotechnology activities" means activities consisting of the application of recombinant DNA technology to produce

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commercial products, as well as activities regarding pharmaceutical delivery systems designed to provide a measure of control over the rate, duration, and site of pharmaceutical delivery.

- (h) For purposes of corporations whose net income is determined under Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 25101), Section 25108 shall apply to each of the following:
- (1) The amount of net operating loss incurred in any taxable year that may be carried forward to another taxable year.
- (2) The amount of any loss carry forward that may be deducted in any taxable year.
- (i) The provisions of Section 172(b)(1)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to bad debt losses of commercial banks, shall not be applicable.
- (j) The Franchise Tax Board may prescribe appropriate regulations to carry out the purposes of this section, including any regulations necessary to prevent the avoidance of the purposes of this section through splitups, shell corporations, partnerships, tiered ownership structures, or otherwise.
- (k) The Franchise Tax Board may reclassify any net operating loss carryover determined under either paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (b) as a net operating loss carryover under paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) upon a showing that the reclassification is necessary to prevent evasion of the purposes of this section.
- (*l*) Except as otherwise provided, the amendments made by Chapter 107 of the Statutes of 2000 shall apply to net operating losses for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000.
- SEC. 13. Section 24416.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:
- 29 24416.1. (a) A qualified taxpayer, as defined in Section 24416.2, 24416.4, 24416.5, 24416.6, or 24416.7 24416.7, or 24416.8, may elect to take the deduction provided by Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the net operating loss deduction, as modified by Section 24416, in computing net income under Section 24341, with the following exceptions to Section 24416:
- 36 (1) Subdivision (a) of Section 24416, relating to years in which allowable losses are sustained, shall not be applicable.
- 38 (2) Subdivision (b) of Section 24416, relating to the 50-percent reduction of losses, shall not be applicable.

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(3) The provisions of subparagraphs (B) and (C) of Section 172 (b) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code shall not apply. To the extent applicable to California law, net operating losses attributable to entities with losses described by Section 172(b)(1)(J) shall be applied in accordance with Section 172(b)(1)(A) and (B) of the Internal Revenue Code.

- (b) Corporations whose income is subject to the provisions of Section 25101 or 25101.15 shall make the computations required by Section 25108.
- (c) The election to compute the net operating loss under this section shall be made in a statement attached to the original return, timely filed for the year in which the net operating loss is incurred and shall be irrevocable. In addition to the exceptions specified in subdivision (a), Section 24416.2, 24416.4, 24416.5, 24416.6, or 24416.7, or 24416.8, as appropriate, shall be applicable.
- (d) Any carryover of a net operating loss sustained by a qualified taxpayer, as defined in subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 24416.2 as that section read immediately prior to January 1, 1997, shall, if previously elected, continue to be a deduction, as provided in subdivision (a), applied as if the provisions of subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 24416.2, as that section read prior to January 1, 1997, still applied.
- SEC. 14. Section 24416.8 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:
- 24416.8. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, the term "qualified taxpayer" as used in Section 24416.1 includes a corporation engaged in the conduct of a trade or business within the CTCZ. For purposes of this subdivision, all of the following shall apply:
- (1) A net operating loss shall not be a net operating loss carryback for any taxable year and a net operating loss for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2014, shall be a net operating loss carryover to each of the 15 taxable years following the taxable year of loss.
 - (2) For purposes of this subdivision:
- (A) "Net operating loss" means the loss determined under Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, as modified by Section 24416.1, attributable to the taxpayer's business activities within the enterprise zone (as defined in Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code)

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prior to the repeal of this section. That attributable loss shall be determined in accordance with Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 25101), modified for purposes of this subdivision as follows:

- (i) Loss shall be apportioned to the CTCZ by multiplying total loss from the business by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the denominator of which is two.
 - (ii) "The CTCZ" shall be substituted for "this state."
- (B) A net operating loss carryover shall be a deduction only with respect to the taxpayer's business income attributable to the CTCZ as defined in Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.
- (C) Attributable income is that portion of the taxpayer's California source business income that is apportioned to the CTCZ. For that purpose, the taxpayer's business income attributable to sources in this state first shall be determined in accordance with Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 25101). That business income shall be further apportioned to the CTCZ in accordance with Article 2 (commencing with Section 25120) of Chapter 17, modified for purposes of this subdivision as follows:
- (i) Business income shall be apportioned to the CTCZ by multiplying the total California business income of the taxpayer by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the denominator of which is two. For purposes of this clause:
- (I) The property factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the average value of the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used in the CTCZ during the taxable year, and the denominator of which is the average value of all the taxpayer's real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used in this state during the taxable year.
- (II) The payroll factor is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total amount paid by the taxpayer in the CTCZ during the taxable year for compensation, and the denominator of which is the total compensation paid by the taxpayer in this state during the taxable year.
- (ii) If a loss carryover is allowable pursuant to this section for any taxable year after this section is repealed, the CTCZ shall be deemed to remain in existence for purposes of computing the

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limitation set forth in subparagraph (B) and allowing a net
 operating loss deduction.
 (D) "CTCZ" means the Clean Technology Commerce Zone

- (D) "CTCZ" means the Clean Technology Commerce Zone which shall be that area within the Coachella Valley.
- (b) A taxpayer who qualifies as a "qualified taxpayer" under one or more sections shall, for the taxable year of the net operating loss and any taxable year to which that net operating loss may be carried, designate on the original return filed for each year the section which applies to that taxpayer with respect to that net operating loss. If the taxpayer is eligible to qualify under more than one section, the designation is to be made after taking into account subdivision (c).
- (c) If a taxpayer is eligible to qualify under this section and either Section 24416.4, 24416.5, or 24416.6 as a "qualified taxpayer," with respect to a net operating loss in a taxable year, the taxpayer shall designate which section is to apply to the taxpayer.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 24416, the amount of the loss determined under this section, or Section 24416.4, 24416.5, or 24416.6 shall be the only net operating loss allowed to be carried over from that taxable year and the designation under subdivision (b) shall be included in the election under Section 24416.1.
- (e) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 2014, and as of that date is repealed.
- SEC. 15. This act provides for a tax levy within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect.
- SECTION 1. The Legislature declares its intent to enact legislation that would provide tax credits, in a manner similar to those provided with respect to enterprise zones, to businesses newly located in the Coachella Valley that develop clean energy
- 31 technology.